

Today, I voted in favor of H.R. 1108, the Family Smoking and Tobacco Prevention Act. I am proud to have worked with my colleagues in support of this important bipartisan legislation.

This bill will give the FDA the authority to:

- Restrict tobacco advertising and promotions to children.
- Stop illegal sales of tobacco products to children.
- Ban candy-flavored cigarettes such as "Mandalay Lime," "Warm Winter Toffee," "Mocha Taboo," and "Midnight Berry."
- Require changes in tobacco products such as the removal of harmful ingredients.
- Prohibit terms such as "light," "mild," and "low-tar" that mislead consumers into believing certain cigarettes are safer than others.
- Require larger and more informative health warnings.

Big Tobacco has been targeting kids and young people for years using colorful advertisements and candy-flavored cigarettes. By giving the FDA the power to regulate the manufacturing and marketing of tobacco products, Congress is taking an important step in ensuring the safety and health of children across the country.